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TEXACO REPS FROM DAKAR AND LOCAL TEXACO DIRECTOR LABBE THIS MORNING INFORMED MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT MAMADY KEITA THAT TEXACO WAS CEASING OPERATIONS IN MALI AND WAS NOT GOING TO DRILL A WELL. KEITA WAS VERY DISAPPOINTED SAYING NEITHER MALIAN PEOPLE NOR PRESIDENT WOULD EVER UNDERSTAND TECHNICAL REASONS FOR THIS DECISION AND INSISTED THAT TEXACO REPS SEE PRESIDENT TRAORE, BUT NOT ON A SATURDAY WHICH IS UNLUCKY DAY FOR MOSLEMS. THEY HAVE APPOINTMENT WITH PRESIDENT MONDAY MORNING. ACCORDING TO TEXACO REPS, REASON FOR DECISION IS PURELY TECHNICAL, AND THEY IN CONSULTATION WITH ESSO HAVE SIMPLY CONCLUDED THERE IS NO USE THROWING GOOD MONEY AFTER BAD.

DERTAINLY, I SHALL BE SUMMONED TO SEE PRESIDENT WHO WILL URGE ME TO TRY TO INDUCE TEXACO TO CHANGE DICSION.

MOST CERTAINLY,
FROM THE STANDPOINT OF US-MALI RELATIONS, I

DEVOUTLY WISH TEXACO WOULD AGREE TO DRILL A WELL, SINCE THERE COULD BE NO ARGUMENT WITH RESULTS. ANY ADVICE DEPT CAN OFFER WILL BE MOST APPRECIATED.

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I HAD BEEN AWARE THAT DECISION NOT TO DRILL WAS UNDER

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CONSIDERATION, BUT FINAL DECISION WAS TAKEN ONLY LATE THIS
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